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For: HOME NETWORK FOR ORDERING AND DELIVERY OF VIDEO ON DEMAND,

TELEPHONE AND OTHER DIGITAL SERVICES

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**Mail Stop Patent Application** 

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Va. 22313-1450 December 8, 2003

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Before calculating the filing fee, please amend the above identified continuation application as follows.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-35.

- 1 1. [new--formerly claim 1 of the parent application] A gateway apparatus
- 2 comprising:
- 3 a host computer having a host bus;
- 4 one or more local area network interfaces or bus interfaces coupling said
- 5 host computer to one or more local area networks or buses than carry data
- 6 between said gateway and one or more devices located at a customer premises;